OFFICER IS BLAMED FOR BATTLE ERROR

British Robbed of Full Fruits of Victory at Neuve Chapelle.

GEN. FRENCH REPORTS LOSSES OF THOUSANDS

Says Enemy Also Left Great Number of Dead on Field—Canadians Are Praised.

LONDON, April 14.—Field Marshal Sir John French, commander of the British expeditionary forces on the continent, reports the British losses in the three days' fighting at Neuvre Chapelle as follows: Killer, 190 officers, 2,337 ment wounded, 359 officers, 8,174 other ranks; missing, 23 officers, 1,728

The power of defense conferred by modern weapons is the main cause for the long duration of the battles of the present day, and it is this fact which mainly accounts for such loss and waste of life. Both one and the other can, however, be shortened and lessened if attacks can be supported by the most efficient and powerful force of artillery available, but an almost unlimited supply of ammunition is necessary, and a most liberal discretionary power as to its use must be given to artillery commanders. I am confident that this is the only means by which great results can be obtained with a minimum of loss."

Praises Canadian Forces. other ranks; missing, 23 officers, 1,728

Field Marshal French's report con-"The enemy left several thousand dead on the field, and we have positive information that upward of 12,000 wounded were removed by train.

Thirty officers and 1,657 of other ranks to be a great source of additional

Order Not Carried Out.

The British commander's dispatch concerning the battle of Neuve Chapelle, which began early in March, is lengthy and says, with other things: Considerable delay occurred after the capture of Neuve Chapelle and the reference to the Prince of Wales, who infantry was greatly disorganized. I am of the opinion that this delay would not have occurred had the clearly expressed order of the general officer commanding the first army been more

arefully observed." Field Marshal French fails to revea he name of the officer whom he so harply blames for the delay which obbed the British of the full fruits of tory at Neuve Chapelle.

Commander's Message.

Field Marshal French's report, which rovers the battles of Neuve Chapelle and St. Eloi, under date of April 5, was published in the Official Gazette today The commander-in-chief writes:

The event of chief interest and in

The event of chief interest and importance which has taken place is the victory achieved over the enemy in the battle of Neuve Chapelle, which was fought March 10, 11 and 12.

The main attack was delivered by the troops of the 1st Army, under command of Gen. Sir Douglas Haig, supported by a large force of heavy artiliery, a division of cavalry and some infunity of the General Reserve. Secondary and holding attacks and demonstrations were made along the front of 2d Army, under direction of its commander, Sir Horace Smith-Dorrien.

Praises Gen. Haig.

Whilst the success attained was due to the magnificent bearing and indom-Itable courage displayed by the troops of the French and Indian corps, I consider that the able and skillful dispositions which were made by the general officer commanding the 1st Army contributed largely to the defeat of the enemy and to the capture of his position. The energy and vigor with which Gen. Sir Douglas Haig handled his command shows him to be a leader of great ability and power.

Infantry Disorganized.

nually about 100,000 tons of coal from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast. The present freight rate is from \$7 to \$8 a ton, but the opening of the Alaskan rail-way should make it possible to ship coal from the Matanuska field at a price so much lower as to make the annual sav-ing in the cost off the navy's coal bill of great moment." Considerable delay occurred after the capture of the Neuve Chapelle po-The infantry was greatly disorganized by the violent nature of the enemy's trenches and the buildings of the village. It was necessary to get the units to some extent together before pushing on. The telephonic com munication being cut by the enemy's fire rendered communications between the front and the rear most difficult. "The fact of the left of the 23d Brigade "The fact of the left of the 23d Brigade having been held up had kept back the 8th Division and had involved a portion of the 25th Brigade in fighting to the north, out of its proper direction of advance. All this required adjustment. An orchard held by the enemy north of Neuve Chapelle also threatened the flank of the darker of the Aubers bridge. of an advance toward the Aubers bridge.

Order Not Observed.

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difficulties above enumerated might have been overcome earlier in the day if the general officer commanding the 4th Corps had been able to bring his reserve brigades more speedily into

reserve brigades more speemy inte-action."
Referring to what he terms the re-markable promptitude in the arrival of reinforcements from England, the field marshal calls attention to the fact that "in spite of the heavy casualties in the Egiting between the 19th and 15th of

IF BACK HURTS **BEGIN ON SALTS**

Flush the Kidneys at once when Backachy or Bladder bothers - Meat forms uric acid.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasion-ally, says a well known authority. Meat forms uric acid which clogs the kidney pores so they sluggish-ly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood. then you get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, diz-ziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders come from sluggish kid-

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March all deficiencies, both in officers and in the rank and file, were made good within a few days after the conclusion of the battle. The drafts of the Indian contingents are much improved of late and are now quite satisfactory. Gen. French eulogizes the work of the Medical Corps and of the distinguished civilian populations assisting it. He says the health of the army is excellent.

Praises Canadian Forces.

strength to the forces of this country.

Noting the recent visit of the King of

has acted as bearer of his dispatches

and expresses appreciation of his quick-ness in acquiring knowledge. He men-tions that the Prince of Wales did duty

LOWER ARMY COAL BILL

Department Officials Interested in

Obtaining Cheaper Fuel for

U. S. War Craft.

Secretary Daniels and other Navy De-

partment officials are manifesting keen

interest over prospects of obtaining

cheaper coal for the navy now that the

nitely been decided upon. For the past

two years they have been giving close

The proposed road will tap the Mata-

which demonstrated its suitability for

portation to tidewater," says a depart-

ment announcement, "Is a matter of great

importance to the navy, which ships an-nually about 100,000 tons of coal from

"The opening of this field to rail trans-

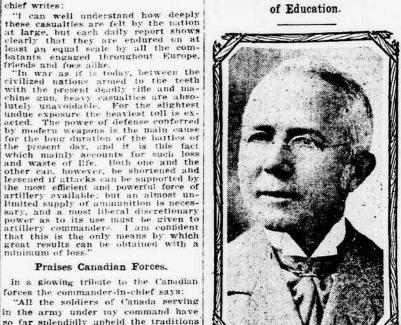
naval vessels in Pacific waters.

naval use.

ALASKAN RAILROAD MAY

hief writes:

fyllian populations assisting to the health of the army is excellent. Severity of Casualties. Linguist, Traveler and at One Time Referring to the severity of the Employe of Federal Bureau asualties in action, the commander-in-



PROF. CHARLES H. PLUGGE the Belgians to the British lines, the commander-in-chief acknowledges his Prof. Charles H. Plugge, seventy-one years old, linguist, traveler, and at one gallant army for valuable assistance and co-operation during the past two education, died early vesterday mornmonths. He concludes with a pleasant ing at the home of his nephew, Carl F. Hohoff, 74 Seaton place northwest, following an illness of several months. Funeral services are to be held to-

Since that time he had been professor of languages at the Brooklyn Poly technic Institute. He was master of route of the Alaskan railway has defiseven or more languages, and was wel known in Brooklyn, where he saw many of his scholars grow to manhood attention to the high cost of coal for He had many friends among the olde German residents here.

Prof. Plugge was a tireless traveler nuska coal field in Alaska, from which Nearly every summer he would take a the department last year obtained suftrip to Europe, and was known to have ficient coal to conduct practical tests made more than thirty round trips. He was in Beigium only last summer.
Two nephews, Fred C. Hohoff and
Carl F. Hohoff, survive him.

Inspect Private Yacht.

Capt. Charles Yates of the coast and geodetic survey and Solicitor Thurman of the Department of Commerce went to New York today, where they will have docked the private yacht Isis for the purpose of making an examination of her. The government proposes to purchase this vessel for use in coast and geodetic survey work.

ASH AND GARBAGE CALLS

DIES AT NEPHEW'S HOME Former Service Will Be Effective Next Monday, April 19, and the Latter May 17.

The summer schedule for collection of ashes in the District of Columbia will go into effect Monday. In lieu of the present semi-weekly service, the summer schedule will provide one collection

week throughout the District. May 17 the summer garbage schedule vill become effective. In the city proper a daily service will supplant the present three-times-a-week service, while garbage will be collected three times a week in the suburbs instead of twice a week, as at present.

Under the new ash schedule ashes will be collected on Monday from all of Georgetown; all the southwest; Anacos tia: between 2d and 6th streets northwest, Missouri avenue to Florida avenue and between 2d and 5th streets north west, Florida avenue to Fairmont street.

Other Collections During Week. Other collections during the week

vill be as follows: Tuesday-From the territory between 16th street and Rock creek, Irving treet to Florida avenue; 6th to 11th streets, B street to Florida avenue, and all the territory south of B street

Wednesday -- 11th to 16th streets, Plorida avenue to Park road; 11th to 15th streets, B street to Rhode Island avenue; 11th to 14th streets, Rhode Is land avenue to T street; 11th to 15th streets. T street to Florida avenue, and from B street southeast to D street

from B street southeast to D street northeast, North Capitol street to 17th street east.

Thursday—All of Cleveland Park, Chevy Chase, Trinidad, Rosedale; the territory between 11th and 16th streets, Park road and Spring road; 16th street to Adams Mill road, Irving street to Spring road; 14th to 15th streets, Rhode Island avenue to T streets; 15th to 18th streets, B street to Florida avenue. to 18th streets, B street to Florida ave nue: D street northeast to Florida ave

Funeral services are to be held tomorrow morning at \$:45 o'clock at the home, thence to St. Martin's Church, where requiem mass will be sung at 9 o'clock. Interment is to be private, in Oak Hill cemetery.

Prof. Plugge was a native of Germany. He received his education in Brussels, Belgium, and came to this country in 1876, with the Belgian exhibit for the centennial exposition at Philadelphia. From 1877 until 1880 he was employed as a translator in the bureau of education under Gen. John Eaton, when the bureau was located where the Raleigh Hotel now stands.

Master of Seven Languages.

Since that time he had been professor

TO ADDRESS PRESS CLUB.

E. T. Williams Will Speak on "Modernization of China."

The State Department expert on the chief of the division of far eastern af fairs, will address the National Pres Club tonight on "Modernization of China." This will be Mr. Williams first public utterance on the delicate subjects in which the far east is concerned since he was relieved of his duties of charge d'affaires of the American legation in Peking.

By direct order of the Secretary of State, Mr. Williams will be prevented from discussing the tense situation between China and Japan, in which the United States and the principal European powers are deeply concerned. He will, however, disclose facts concerning China which have not been discussed hitherto.

Safety First Association Also Commends Police for Enforcing Traffic Laws.

trict should be regulated and that permission to drive the vehicles should be given only to responsible persons, was urged in resolutions adopted by the Washington Safety First Association at the Public Library last evening. The resolutions also empower the mittee on traffic regulations of the association to represent the safety organization at the hearing to be held by the public utilities commission April

Resolutions were also adopted urg ing the placing of a fire alarm box north of Chevy Chase Circle and the prohibtion of the parking of vehicles within 100 feet of the northeast, northwest, southeast or southwest corners of 14th and U streets northwest.

William F. Peabody, president of the association, spoke briefly of the recent accident in which a young woman was killed at the Pincy Branch bridge. Commissioner Brownlow was commended for his policies regarding the strict enforcement of traffic regulations. strict enforcement of traffic regulations as outlined in a recent address at the Chamber of Commerce.

Safety Visitors Coming.

Dr. Edgar D. Thompson, the association's delegate to the Safety First Federation of America, stated that a com mittee of the federation is to visit Washington in the near future. J. Clinton Hight presented statistics show ing the number of traffic violators arrested in the tenth precinct. A vote thanking Capt. Judge of that precinct and the men under him for the energy with which they have been enforcing the traffic regulations was taken. Tomorrow evening a "neighborhood"

Hamline Church, 9th and P streets northwest. President Peabody is to give an illustrated travelogue on Vir-Views are to be shown of Chesapeake bay, the James river, James apeake bay, the James river, Jamestown and other places of interest. Addresses are also to be delivered by Lev. Lucius Clark and W. B. Patterson.
Pictures used in the safety first campaign at Brooklyn, N. Y., are also to be displayed. Girl Scouts from Mrs. Giles Scott Rafter's troop and Boy Scouts from Archie Davis' troop are to assist

RATES APPLY TO ALL FREIGHT.

No Difference to Be Made in Shipment of Second-Hand Goods. Condemned property and second-hand

goods must be charged the same freight rates for transportation as the same kind of new goods, according to an

opinion of the interstate commerce commission. A number of articles, conlemned government property, were shipped from the government arsenal at South Framington, Mass., to St.

The complainant, Cal Hirsch & Sons' Iron and Railroad Company, contended that as the goods were not new they should be charged a third-class rate. The commission took the opposite view od by which the value of second-hand goods could be ascertained, and that to establish such a special rate would open the doors to misbilling and dis-



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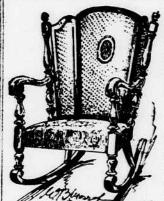
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inches. Each..... \$1.50 Oyster White French Linen Suiting, 90 \$1.00 inches wide; thoroughly shrunken. Yard......

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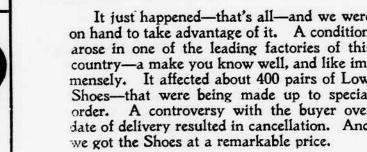
At the beginning, of course, all sizes are assured. But the values at such a price are going to make this a quick sale. For that reason we advise you to come early.

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